

go on fishing expeditions and obtain private and confidential records on the basis that there is "reasonable grounds to believe" that these records are "relevant" to an investigation. Furthermore, the government will still be able to delay notifying individuals that their private property has been searched. While there is an initial leeway of 30-days, the government can seek an indefinite amount of 90-day extensions. Where will the encroachments end?

Through the passage of this legislation, we have done our country a great disservice. At this juncture, we could have sought true and meaningful reform that not only protected this great nation from terrorists but also from the improper intrusions that are inherent in this bill.

Madam Speaker, I would like to again voice my opposition to the passage of S. 2271.

A TRIBUTE TO THOMAS JAY  
HARRIS

HON. RANDY NEUGEBAUER

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, March 8, 2006*

Mr. NEUGEBAUER. Mr. Speaker, today, I rise to honor Thomas Jay Harris, the former editor of the leading newspaper in Lubbock, Texas who passed away on Sunday, February

26. During the course of his 87 years, Jay could call many people his friend and could point to many achievements. He was a war veteran, a community leader, and a proud newspaperman.

Jay began his 53-year journalism career in 1938 working for the Lubbock Avalanche-Journal while still an undergraduate student at Texas Tech University. He then spent 3 years serving his country in the Air Force during World War II. Following the war, he returned to the newspaper. He would remain at the A-J for the rest of his professional career, the last 22 years of which were spent as the newspaper's editor.

As editor, Jay deftly balanced the need to report on issues of importance to the local community while still pursuing stories of national and international significance. It was this thirst for foreign affairs that led him to support the International Cultural Center at Texas Tech. This center introduced students and aspiring journalists to the cultures of foreign countries.

I had the privilege of knowing Jay. Almost every time I spoke with him, he had an idea on how to make Lubbock or Texas Tech better. Jay was persistent and always stuck with an issue until he got results.

Jay lived his life with passion. I will miss Jay and his enthusiasm for his work, for his community, and for his country.

TRIBUTE TO ETHIOPIAN WOMEN  
FOR PEACE

HON. MICHAEL M. HONDA

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, March 8, 2006*

Mr. HONDA. Mr. Speaker, I rise to applaud the efforts of Ethiopian Women for Peace, Democracy, and Humanitarian Aid in calling attention to the current political situation in Ethiopia, particularly to the status of women. Today, they will hold a candlelight vigil at the White House to show solidarity with all Ethiopian women who continue to fight for their basic human rights, and who seek freedom and peace for all Ethiopians in the broadest sense. I am truly inspired by their commitment, and hope that I can be helpful to their cause as Chair of the Congressional Ethiopia and Ethiopian American Caucus. I am proud to see Ethiopian American women take part in commemorating International Women's Day and Women's History Month to demand recognition of how far women have come, and how much more there is left to fight for. It is my hope that all Americans, and the international community as a whole, will join us.